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Hope all that helps! Aimee is happy to brief any time.

Regards, Dave

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On Thu, Feb 8, 2018 at 11:43 PM, Applegate, David
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Tim and all,

A few follow-ups from the Deputy Secretary meeting this afternoon.

I checked, and we do not have any QFR's in arrears. The only ones currently in our hands are from last week's Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee hearing on natural hazards and aren't due for a couple more weeks. (By the way, I just saw this nice [summary](#) that the American Institute of Physics did of the hearing, emphasizing the level of support conveyed for the USGS role in the hazards arena.)

I wanted to follow up on the discussion of the infrastructure package. Although the focus at the meeting was on BOR, I did want to make the pitch that USGS has potentially a significant role to play both in terms of investments in our own scientific infrastructure and in the need for resource availability and hazard assessments to inform the larger suite of investments. I think you were at the Senate briefing we did back in March 2017 on how USGS could participate -- I'm attaching the one-pager prepared for that. We have lots more material to share.

Regarding Alaska activities, I wasn't sure what follow-up was needed on Bernhardt's question about (b) (5)

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I am looking into getting hold of the 2002 USGS report that is the predecessor to the new literature review of ecological research in ANWR and will circle back on that.

We will work on the requested briefing paper about USGS overhead rates charged on reimbursable agreements, due next Friday 2/16.

We will provide some examples to you of USGS liaisons to large projects

We can discuss some of these action items at Monday's 1pm tag-up call.

Regards, Dave

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